

PARENTAL RIGHTS DEFINED

Parental rights include, but are not limited to the following:

1. **The right to know and associate with the child.**
2. **Care, custody, maintenance, health and protection.** A child has a right to call upon the parent to exercise these duties;
3. **Advise the child.** Law presumes that advice is given in good faith and in the best interest of the child;
4. **Right to discipline.** Parents may use discipline that is reasonable;
5. **Control of education.** Parents may choose where the child attends school;
6. **Religious training.** The religious training of the child, or lack of it, is a matter solely within the parent's control;
7. **The right to a child's services and earnings.** Parents have the fiduciary responsibility to act in good faith and in the best interest of the child; and
8. **The right to direct the child's activities** and make decisions regarding the child's care and control, education, health and religion.

I have read and understand the parental rights that I am giving up by consenting to the adoption of my child.

Date: _____

(insert name), parent

Witnessed by:

Witness's signature

Print or type